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**Update for the Communicable Diseases and Infestations Rulemaking  
(9 A.A.C. Chapter 6)**

The rules regarding the reporting of information about communicable diseases and infestations are found in Arizona Administrative Code Title 9, Chapter 6, Article 2, and the rules specifying control measures for reportable communicable diseases and infestations are found in 9 A.A.C. Chapter 6, Article 3. While reviewing Sections of Article 3 opened for renumbering, to enable the insertion of Chagas disease into Article 3, the Department decided to initiate rulemaking to revise several of the opened Sections to update control measures. Therefore, the Department is initiating a new rulemaking to revise the communicable diseases and infestations rules in Chapter 6.

To keep interested persons informed about the rulemaking, the Department has established a Web Page for the rulemaking. A draft of the communicable diseases and infestations rules will be posted on the Department's website when they are available for informal public comment.

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